Polypodium phymatodes, L. At bases of bushes, in shade. Old World Tropics.

Schizaea dichotoma, (L.) Sm. Under bushes, but not in deep shade. Madagascar to Polynesia.

Leucophanes densifolium, Mitt. Not abundant, but occurring in large tufts. Malaysia to Polynesia.

HALOPHILA SPINULOSA (R.Br.) Aschers.

Up to the present only one species of Halophila (*H. ovata*, Gaud.) has been recorded from the shallow seas round the coasts of the Malay Peninsula. Recently, however, *Halophila spinulosa* has been found. It was first collected by Mr. R. E. Holttum in shallow water at low tide off Pulau Ubin. Later, while dredging in about five fathoms off Pulau Tekong, in the same vicinity, the writer found it growing in mud. In November, 1930, it was collected by Mohamed Nur on the coast of Pulau Penyangat, in the Rhio Archipelago. Specimens of this gathering were sent to Dr. Beumée of the Botanic Gardens at Buitenzorg, Java, who identified it and remarked that this was the first time it had been collected in the Rhio Archipelago.

It does not appear to be common, having been recorded only from the Sunda Straits, the Philippines, and a few places on the coast of Queensland. The Singapore and Rhio specimens are all sterile, and all were found growing in mud. One at least of the Australian specimens is said to have been collected on coral reefs.

It is probable that it is not so rare as the scarcity of collections indicate. It is a submarine plant, probably never exposed even at low tide, and it is small and inconspicuous.

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